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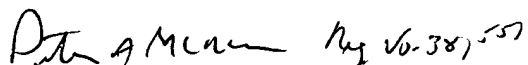
Japanese Patent Application Nos. 63-57222 and 62-38133 correspond to U.S. Patent No. 4,310,295.

English Language abstract of Japanese Patent Nos. 06-155494, 10-264185 and 02-52721 are submitted herewith concise statements of relevance.

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